

To permit this movement, the shoulder bolt **55 52** passes through a slot **54** in the locking clip **16** that extends in the direction of jaw motion sufficiently to allow the desired amount of jaw movement.

Please amend the portion of the specification appearing on page 11, lines 6-10 as shown:

A pair of countersink-head screws **75** holds the housing to the print roll with the pinion gear **60** engaged with the toothed rack **58** on the cam strip **56**, with the pawl **72** positioned for selective pivotal engagement with the pinion gear **60**, and with the spring plunger **74** positioned for selective linear engagement with the spring plunger.

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as shown:

Claim 1-7 (Original)

8. (Currently Amended) The lock-up device of claim 4 7, further comprising a spring plunger for selectively holding the pawl in locked and unlocked positions.

9. The lock-up device of 4, configured to fit within a longitudinal slot in the print roll with the jaw substantially flush with an external surface of the print roll.

Claim 10-11 (Original)

12. (Currently Amended) A lock-up device for attaching a print carrier sheet to a cylindrical print roll extending in a longitudinal direction, comprising:

a stationary clip affixed to the print roll and configured to receive a first edge clip attached to a print carrier sheet;

a locking clip configured to be slidably supported by the print roll adjacent to the stationary clip and configured for receiving a second edge clip attached to the print carrier sheet; the locking clip and the stationary clip defining a jaw;

a pinion gear configured to be pivotally supported by the print roll;

a cam strip comprising a toothed rack engaged with the pinion gear and one or more cam slots oriented at an angle with respect to the longitudinal direction;

the cam strip configured to be supported by the print roll and configured to slide in the longitudinal direction in response to rotation of the pinion gear; and

the locking clip comprising one or more pins slidably engaged within each cam slot and configured to open and close the jaw in response to longitudinal movement of the cam strip.

13.-16 (Original).

17. (Currently Amended) A cylindrical print roll extending in a longitudinal direction including a lock-up device for attaching a print carrier sheet to the print roll, comprising:

a stationary clip affixed to the print roll configured to receive a first edge clip attached to a the print carrier sheet;

a locking clip slidably supported by the print roll adjacent to the stationary clip and configured for receiving a second edge clip attached to the print carrier sheet; the locking clip and the stationary clip defining a jaw; and

a rack-and-pinion gear mechanism configured to open and close the jaw to selectively tighten and loosen the print carrier sheet on the print roll.

18. (Currently Amended) The print roll of 17, ~~wherein the lock-up device is supported within a longitudinal slot in the print roll~~ further comprising a longitudinal slot in the surface of the print roll and wherein the lock-up device is configured to be received within the longitudinal slot in the print roll with the jaw substantially flush with an external surface of the print roll.

19 (Original).

20. (Currently Amended) A printing machine comprising:
a cylindrical print roll extending in a longitudinal direction; and
a lock-up device supported by the print roll for attaching a print carrier sheet to the print roll, the lock-up device comprising:
a stationary clip affixed to the print roll configured to receive a first edge clip attached to a the print carrier sheet,
a locking clip slidably supported by the print roll adjacent to the stationary clip and configured for receiving a second edge clip attached to the print carrier sheet; the locking clip and the stationary clip defining a jaw, and
a rack-and-pinion gear mechanism configured to open and close the jaw to selectively tighten and loosen the print carrier sheet on the print roll.

21. (Currently Amended) The printing machine of 20, ~~wherein the lock-up device is supported within a longitudinal slot in the print roll~~ further comprising a longitudinal slot in the surface of the print roll and wherein the lock-up device is configured to be received within the longitudinal slot in the print roll with the jaw substantially flush with an external surface of the print roll.

22. (Original).

23. (Currently Amended) In or for a printing machine including a cylindrical print roll extending in a longitudinal direction and a lock-up device supported by the print roll for attaching a print carrier sheet to the print roll, ~~the lock-up device~~, an improvement comprising a rack-and-pinion gear mechanism configured to open and close a jaw to selectively tighten and loosen the print carrier sheet on the print roll.

24 - 27 (Original).

Respectfully submitted,

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